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## RE: DA2020/1756 - 353 Barrenjoey Road NEWPORT NSW 2106

I have only recently moved to Bilgola Plateau and must say at first sight Newport shops are very unappealing. Most looking like they are abandoned and the whole street scape very drab and rundown.

The only bright spot, particularly at night is Robertson Rd. I believe it is in the best interest of the majority of residents and business owners for this to be turned into a pedestrian mall with the existing restaurants, cafes and shops. Not more shop top housing which will just create more cars in the area and more empty shops. How about waiting until the existing shops are all leased before creating more. This is a ridiculous development proposal and not in keeping with a Newport village feel. Great idea if you want to keep sending people to Avalon to shop and eat.